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C O R R E C T E D C O P Y (SUBJECT LINE OMITTED ON ORIGINAL)

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1. ON MARCH 8, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE INSTRUCTIONS IN THE REFTEL, WE DISCUSSED THE UPCOMING XCNS MEETING WITH MARTIN LAM, UNDER SECRETARY IN THE COMMERCIAL RELATIONS AND EXPORTS DIVISION OF DTI.

2. LAM SAID THAT THE UK SHARES OUR VIEW THAT GOVERN-MENTS SHOULD BE REPRESENTED AT XCNS MEETINGS BY HIGH-LEVEL OFFICIALS. SIR MAX BROWN, THE SECRETARY FOR TRADE AT DTI, INTENDS TO LEAD THE BRITISH DELEGATION AT THE MARCH 19-20 MEETING (AS HE DID AT THE FIRST XCNS SESSION LAST DECEMBER). BROWN MAY HAVE TO REMAIN IN LONDON FOR THE VISIT OF SECRETARY SHULTZ, HOWEVER. IF HE IS UNABLE TO GO TO PARIS, THE BRITISH DELEGATION WILL PROBABLY BE LED BY ROY DENMAN, DEPUTY SECRETARY FOR TRADE.

3. WE STRESSED THE NEED FOR EARLY AND THOROUGH ADVANCE PREPARATION BY THE EC SO THAT CONSTRUCTIVE STEPS CAN BE TAKEN AT THE MEETING. LAM AGREED, AND SAID THAT CONSULTATIONS WERE ALREADY UNDERWAY IN THE EC PERMREP FRAMEWORK.

4. LAM HAD THE FOLLOWING REACTIONS TO OUR ACCOUNT OF US OBJECTIVES REGARDING INDIVIDUAL AGENDA ITEMS (PARAS 3-6 REFTEL). HE TOOK NOTE OF OUR POINT ABOUT THE NEED FOR AN AD HOC GROUP ON INVESTMENT, ALTHOUGH HE WAS NOT CONVINCED OF THE NEED TO ESTABLISH A NEW BODY FOR THIS PURPOSE. HE SAID THAT THE UK FULLY SHARED OUR VIEW THAT TRADE COMMITTEE SHOULD GIVE A HIGH PRIORITY TO FURTHER WORK ON SAFEGUARDS. HE SAID THAT THE UK WOULD NOT OBJECT TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A WORKING GROUP ON AGRICULTURE (PARA 5 C), BUT HE DOUBTED THAT FRANCE WOULD AGREE TO SUCH A STEP. LAM WAS NOT ENTHUSIASTIC ABOUT
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COMMITTEE, NOTING THAT THIS SUBJECT WAS ALREADY BEING DISCUSSED IN OTHER FRAMEWORKS (ECE, NATO ECONOMIC ADVISERS, CSCE).

5. LAM THANKED US FOR OUR APPROACH AND SAID THAT THIS SORT OF ADVANCE DISCUSSION OF OBJECTIVES AND AGENDA ITEMS IS EXTREMELY USEFUL FOR THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT IN ITS OWN PREPARATIONS FOR THE MEETING. IT ALSO MAKES IT MORE LIKELY THAT THE MEETING ITSELF WILL YIELD POSITIVE RESULTS.

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